harvesting to create awareness about the importance of conservation and augmentation of ground water resources. A total of 51 Mass Awareness Programmes on Rain Water Harvesting and Artificial Recharge to Ground Water are proposed to be conducted during 2005-06 in various parts of the country involving Central/State/NGOs, Voluntary Organisations, Resident Welfare Organisation, Educational Institutions, Industries and Individuals. Similar number of training programmes are proposed in various parts of the country during the year 2005-06 to generate resource persons as a measure of capacity building for designing rain water harvesting structures to augment ground water in different terrains and diverse hydrogeological conditions. The Government also plans to organize various activities for creating awareness on water conservation and management in the country such as participation in various fairs, exhibitions and conferences. It is also proposed to organize visit of school/college students to water resources project, visit of school students and teachers to Engineering Museums and Water Quality Labs at New Delhi. It also plans to organise inter-school debates/quiz competitions at regional level. The Government also has plan to prepare documentary films on water resources, printing of pamphlets and publicity material for distribution to masses.

The Government celebrates World Water Day on 22nd March every year in Delhi and in the State capital including media campaign to promote awareness of water conservation. Every year generally in the month of April Water Resources Day is also celebrated by various field offices of the Ministry spread throughout the country. The main objective of the event is to generate mass awareness about the scarce value of water and its management.

(c) Budget provision of Rs. 7,35,82,500/- has been made during the current financial year for various publicity measures including educational/awareness campaigns on water conservation.

Amount released to Andhra Pradesh for small irrigation projects

†*560. SHRI NANDI YELLAIAH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the amount released by the Central Government to Andhra Pradesh Government for small irrigation projects, tubewells and shallow tubewells during the last three years, year-wise;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) the details of utilization of this fund, year-wise; and

(c) the latest details of tubewells set up, small irrigation projects completed, under construction with the help of Central assistance under National Equal Development Scheme in Andhra Pradesh, during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI PRIYARANJAN DASMUNSI): (a) to (c) Irrigation being a State subject, the requisite developmental works are planned, investigated, implemented, funded and maintained by the respective State Governments as per their priorities. However, assistance is provided by Planning Commission in the form of block loans and grants for the State Annual Plan. Details about the assistance rendered by Planning Commission are as under:—

For Andhra Pradesh, under minor irrigation which covers all small irrigation projects, tubewells, shallow tubewells, etc. the outlay provided for Andhra Pradesh and its utilization for the last three years are as under:—

(*Rs. in crores*)

Year	Outlay	Expenditure
2002-03	305.34	193.732
2003-04	279.04	271.5467
2004-05	549.25	531.862

Under National Equal Development Scheme (Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojana) the Government of Andhra Pradesh has proposed following schemes under Minor Irrigation in the ten identified districts in the State:—

Sl No.	Name of the District	Type of M.I. Schemes	Cost (In Rs. Crore)	Benefit (In ha.)
1.	Nalgonda	Pick-up weirs and feeder channels (47 Nos.)	5.40	1405
2.	Medak	Subsurface dykes	0.94	915
3.	Vizianagaram	Wells and tanks	3.50	6094
4.	Mahboobnagar	1. Sub surface dykes (10 Nos.)	1.05	N.A.
		2. Mini percolation tanks (62 Nos.)	1.38	N.A.
		3. Restoration of existing water bodies	18.442	N.A.
5.	Nizamabad	Excavation of feeder channels	2.26	516
6.	Khammam	1. Check dam (39 Nos.)	4.3316	1379
		2. Tanks (97 Nos.)	8.5966	1901
		3. Lift Irrigation Schemes (69 Nos.)	0.935	1171

Sl. No.	Name of the District	Type of M.I. Schemes	Cost (In Rs. Crore)	Benefit (In ha.)
7.	Chittoor	1. Check dam (35 Nos.)	1.845	678
		2. Percolation tank (29 Nos.)	3.3412	913
		3. Tank restoration (44 Nos.)	11.8233	4092
8.	Karimnagar	1. Lift irrigation schemes	0.32	648
		2. Diversion Dam	0.26	
9.	Warangal	1. MI surface water flow & lift irrigation projects	1.00	
		2. Restoration of tanks (70 Nos.)	4.20	1418
		3. MLI schemes (15 Nos.)	0.45	182
		4. Check dam (15 Nos.)	0.90	194
10.	Adilabad	NIL	NIL	

Funds released for the districts under Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojana for overall development of the district is as follows:

(Rs. in crores)

Sl. No.	District	Amount released in 2003-04	Amount released in 2004-05	Total amount released
1.	Nalgonda		7.50	7.50
2.	Medak		7.50	7.50
3.	Vizianagaram		7.50	7.50
4.	Mahboobnagar		7.50	7.50
5.	Mizamabad		7.50	7.50
6.	Khammam	5.00	10.00	15.00
7.	Chittoor	5.00	2.50	7.50
8.	Karimnagar	5.00	10.00	15.00
9.	Warangal	12.50	10.00	22.50
10.	Adilabad	12.50	2.50	15.00
	TOTAL:	40.00	72.50	112.50

However, Status on the above Minor Irrigation Schemes Completed/ under construction with the help of Rashtriya Sam Vikas Yojana is being collected from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh.